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2021 Summer Programs
Student Handbook**



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Dear Summer Outreach Program Participant:

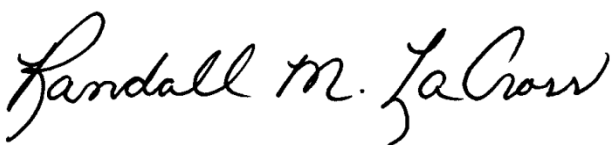
Welcome to the South Carolina Governor's School for Science and Mathematics (GSSM). I congratulate you on your academic successes and your acceptance to participate in one of our Center for Science Education and Outreach summer science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) programs. You have demonstrated that you are an academically talented student. I commend you for your motivation to spend a week or more exploring and learning with us. A talented group of instructors are ready to expand and deepen your understanding of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. It will be an experience that you will always remember!

This summer you will reside in the GSSM dormitories, engage in hands-on learning in our state-of-the-art laboratories, participate in interactive social activities, and much more. There are many engaging activities planned for you during your time at GSSM. By participating in one of our STEM summer programs, you will be living and learning side-by-side with other students who are excited about science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

Our Summer Programs Student Handbook has been designed to provide you with all the information you need to have a safe, successful, and memorable educational experience at GSSM. In preparing for your week at GSSM, we expect you and your parent/legal guardian to read through all of the information provided in this handbook. After reading the information, you both must electronically sign within the online camp system to indicate that you have read and understand the information.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Center for Science Education and Outreach at 843-383-3958. I can be reached at 843-383-3916 or by email at lacross@gssm.k12.sc.us. I look forward to seeing you this summer!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Randall M. LaCross". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Randall M. La Cross
Senior Vice President for Virtual and Outreach

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Check-in/Check-out Procedures

Check-in (Sunday afternoon)

- Report to the GSSM campus at **your assigned time** which will be between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. on the Sunday that your summer program starts. Your assigned check-in time will be emailed to you a week before camp starts.
- Only 2 adults will be permitted to enter the building to assist the camper with move-in. After the camper has checked-in, adults will be allowed to go upstairs to assist campers with setting up his or her room. For security reasons, after Sunday, parents and family members are not allowed past the main lobby area.
- Signs will be posted noting parking and registration information. Follow the posted signs and report to the registration table in the gymnasium as soon as you arrive.
- All medications must be presented in original containers and inside of a Ziploc bag, along with the physician-signed *Permission for Administration of Prescription Medication* form (if not already uploaded to the campers online account), to the nursing staff at check-in.
- If you anticipate arriving after 4 p.m., please inform the program director so Campus Life staff can prepare for your arrival time.

Check-out (Friday evening)

- Campers **must be picked up between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. on Friday.** When parents/guardians arrive at GSSM you will send a text message with the camper's name to the phone number given during check-in. Campers will be assisted out to the parking lot by GSSM staff. Parents/guardians will not come into the building during check-out. **Dinner will not be served at GSSM on Friday evening.**
- Class presentations and/or projects will be posted online and a link will be emailed to parents so that they can view the presentations/projects at home.
- Campers may not leave until they check out with the Campus Life staff.
 - Rooms must be checked and approved before campers have permission to leave.
 - Room key cards must be returned before leaving campus. If a card is lost or damaged, a \$20 replacement fee must be paid for each lost or damaged item before leaving campus.

General Information

Parents and campers are expected to be familiar with our policies concerning health and safety, supervision, and rules and expectations. Please assist us in providing a fun, yet safe, environment for campers by thoroughly reading the following information.

Camp Assemblies

Campers must attend all classes and assemblies. Arrive five minutes early to assemblies so that roll can be called before the assembly starts. Be mindful of appropriate behavior and attire for all camp events. Campers may not play on their phone, talk, listen to music, text, wear hats, read, or sleep during an assembly or class.

Medication

Prescribed Medications

**** All medications must be registered and kept in the nurse's office.** A *Permission for Administration of Prescription Medication* form must be signed by a physician and submitted online or at camp check-in with each prescription drug that the camper brings before the nurse can give

any medications to campers. Medications need to be in original containers and inside a Ziploc bag along with clear instructions for administration.

Note: Medications are not to be transferred between campers. Improper use of prescription and non-prescription drugs is a *major infraction* that will result in dismissal from camp. All medications must be in the ORIGINAL LABELED CONTAINER.

***We highly recommend that medications taken by your child during the regular school year (ADD, ADHD, antidepressants, etc.) be given during the summer camp due to its intense academic rigor.*

Over-the-Counter Medications (non-prescription)

Please **DO NOT** bring any type of over-the counter (OTC) medications unless absolutely necessary. Generic equivalent OTC medications such as Tylenol (acetaminophen) and Advil (ibuprofen), Pepto-Bismol, Imodium, Claritin, Benadryl, and Dayquil will be available to campers in the nurse's office. Medications must be approved by parent/guardian within the online medical information form before the nurse can give any medications to campers.

Sick Campers

If the nursing staff deems a camper is too sick to remain at GSSM, parents or guardians will be asked to pick up the camper within 5 hours of being notified.

Key Card/Nametag

Campers are responsible for their room key card at all times. There is a \$20 fee if the camper loses or damages either his or her key card. Campers must keep their nametag inside their lanyard holder and around their neck at all times. Please do not decorate nametags or holders.

Dining

Breakfast, lunch and dinner are provided during the week of camp. Meals always include a main entrée along with a variety of side dishes. A vegetarian option is available at each meal. Deli and specialty choices are available while quantities last. Please note any food allergies (gluten, nuts, etc.) on the online medical information form. It will be difficult to have appropriate food on hand if allergies are not reported at least one week before the beginning of camp. Please inform the cafeteria staff on Sunday evening if you reported an allergy and need to receive an alternative meal option.

Cell Phones, Tablets, iPads, and Other Small Electronic Devices (*Parents Please Read!*)

We know that parents and campers value the ability to be able to communicate with each other at a moment's notice. Although we do not prohibit cell phones, all device features including talk, text messaging, cameras and other apps are not to be used during any instructional or assembly time unless approved by the instructor or camp director. Realize that while campers are in class they will not be able to respond to parent calls or text. If a parent needs to get in touch with a camper during the day, please call the Outreach Office (843-383-3958) and we will contact your student. Please see our Discipline Code for more information regarding the misuse of electronic devices.

Parents are responsible for setting clear guidelines for the use of electronic devices with their son or daughter. GSSM is not responsible for phone or text messaging content, usage, or any fees incurred while attending any summer program activity, including loaning devices to friends, placing calls, or other uses before or after lights out. GSSM is also not responsible for damage, theft, or other problems related to electronic devices.

Alcohol and Drug Policy

GSSM strictly enforces a **NO TOLERANCE** drug and alcohol policy. Any camper in possession of or under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs will be dismissed from the program immediately. This program will uphold and adhere to the rules and regulations set forth by the State of South Carolina, GSSM, and its own policy regarding the use and abuse of alcohol and drugs. The possession of illegal drugs and underage drinking is punishable by law.

Camp Schedule

Sunday

11 a.m. - 4 p.m.Camp check-in – (Specific times will be assigned to each camper.)
4:30 p.m.....Welcome meeting for campers
5 p.m. - 6 p.m.....Dinner
7 p.m. - 10 p.m.....Evening activities
10 p.m. - 10:30 p.m...Hall meeting
10:30 p.m.....Room check
11:00 p.m.....Lights out

Monday - Thursday

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| 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. ...Breakfast | 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.....Dinner |
| 8:50 a.m.Morning camp meeting | 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.Evening activities* |
| 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.....Morning classes | 9:10 p.m.Hall meeting |
| Noon - 1 p.m.....Staggered lunch | 10:30 p.m.Room check |
| 1 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.Afternoon classes | 11 p.m.Lights out |

Friday

7:30 a.m. - 8:50 a.m.....Breakfast/ Move luggage downstairs/check-out of rooms
9 a.m. - 12 p.m.Morning classes
Noon - 1 p.m.....Staggered lunch
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.Afternoon classes
4 p.m. – 6 p.m.Camp Dismissal**

***Evening activities** include, but are not limited to: soccer, movies, chess matches, four-square, board games, cards, talent show, student activity center games, basketball, open gym, and socializing.

****Camp Dismissal:** Campers must be picked up between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. on Friday. When parents/guardians arrive at GSSM you will send a text message with the camper's name to the phone number given during check-in. Campers will be assisted out to the parking lot by GSSM staff. Parents/guardians will not come into the building during check-out. **Dinner will not be served at GSSM on Friday evening.**

What to Bring & What NOT to Bring

Items to Bring

- Towels, pillow, blanket, extra-long twin sheets, comforter (**rooms can be chilly**), small trash can.
- Bath mat and toiletries such as hand soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrush, shower gel, toilet paper, etc.
- Alarm clock
- Hangers if you would like to hang up clothes
- Notebook, pens, pencils
- Roll of quarters for laundry machines and detergent if you plan to do laundry
- Cell phones/chargers are allowed but are not to be used during any instructional or assembly time, unless approved by the instructor or camp director.
- Reusable water bottle
- Sunscreen

Clothes to Bring

- One pair of long pants and long-sleeved shirt or jacket (**building is chilly even in summer**).
- One pair of closed toe shoes for working in the lab.
- Sneakers (MUST be worn at all times on the soccer field and basketball court)

Leave These Items at Home

- Any dangerous items like candles, pocketknives, flammables, etc.
- Appliances, such as mini-refrigerators, hotplates, etc.
- Stereos, computers, TVs, radios (clock radios & MP3 players/iPods are OK).
- Over \$25 in cash, (excluding quarters for laundry machines).

Clothing to Leave at Home

- Spaghetti strap shirts
- Short shorts/skirts/dresses (all shorts, skirts, and dresses MUST be fingertip length)
- Any clothing with profane, obscene or offensive language or gestures or that promotes alcohol and/or drug use
- Shirts/tops/blouses that show cleavage
- Outfits that show bare midriffs
- Pants that do not cover underwear (saggy pants)

GSSM Summer Camper Code of Conduct

A key principle of the SC Governor's School for Science and Mathematics mission statement is offering a transforming education in science, mathematics, and engineering that cultivates joy in learning and builds the confidence to engage as ethical leaders with the world's most significant issues. Our Outreach Center complements this mission by developing and delivering outstanding STEM learning opportunities for students. Our program is one of those opportunities. It reflects GSSM's qualities, values, and beliefs.

Our community of scholars strives for a high standard of excellence and we uphold a fair and equitable *Code of Conduct*. By participating in our program you become a part of the GSSM community and we consider you part of our family of learners. We expect our program scholars to uphold our *Code of Conduct*, which includes demonstrating responsible behavior while participating in our program whether in-person or virtually, and being an excellent representative of your family and your schools.

Code of Conduct

GSSM Outreach Center program scholars will:

- Exemplify excellent academic standards.
- Participate in all of the learning sessions and activities.
- Display a positive attitude.
- Join the learning sessions and activities on time and with appropriate materials.
- Dedicate time each day to work on your class or course projects.
- Contribute to class discussions.
- Exhibit respectful behavior toward self, your instructor, and other scholars in your class.
- Follow all instructions and safety guidelines given by your instructor.
- Dress appropriately and respectfully.
- Follow all cybersecurity guidelines and appropriate use guidelines of digital and internet resources.

Discipline Code

Appropriate conduct, including respect for all persons and property, is required of all GSSM campers. Campers are expected to exemplify appropriate behavior at all times. Any incident of camper misconduct or disruptive behavior will be reported to a Residential Life Coordinator (RLC) or the camp director, who will schedule a conference with the camper or campers involved. Repeated offenses, extreme cases of physical, cyber and/or verbal misconduct, and/or consistently not meeting the GSSM Code of Conduct will result in dismissal from camp. Parents/guardians are expected to pick up dismissed campers within 8 hours of initial contact with the family.

Please make sure that you have read and understand the above GSSM Camper Code of Conduct and Discipline Code before electronically signing within the online camp system to indicate that you have read and understand the information.

GSSM Housing Guidelines and Information

1. Hall Meetings and Room Check

Campers must be in their respective hall lounges at 9:10 p.m. every night for a hall meeting. Campers may not return to the lobby after 9:10 p.m. unless a GSSM staff member grants them permission. Campers must be in their assigned room by 10:30 p.m. Campers may not be in their suitemate's room after this time. A GSSM staff member will check that campers are at their room door or asleep in their room at 10:30 p.m. each night.

2. Lights Out and Quiet Hours

Lights out is at 11:00 p.m. each night. Lights out means that campers are in bed, with their phones off and going to sleep. Showers and other bedtime preparations need to be completed before 11:00 p.m.

Between the hours of 10:30 p.m. and 7:30 a.m., campers are expected to be in their rooms and quiet. Common courtesy requires all campers to keep noise levels in residential areas to minimum during quiet hours.

3. Doors

No outside doors are to be left propped open. Leaving doors propped open is dangerous for everyone on campus. Do not prop your room door open. Make sure the door closes completely behind you and is locked when you leave.

4. Leaving Campus

No camper is allowed to leave campus during the summer camp unless a GSSM staff member or parent/guardian accompanies you. ***Parents must sign students out if they are leaving campus.*** The sign-out sheet is at the front desk.

5. Visiting Other Dorms

Campers are not allowed to visit dorms of the opposite sex. This will result in immediate dismissal from camp.

6. Responsibility of Rooms

Each camper is responsible for the condition of the room assigned to him or her and shall reimburse GSSM for all damages to the space and/or loss of fixtures and furnishings. Furnishings may not be removed, stored, or traded from the room.

7. Damages

A Campus Life staff member will inspect rooms and assess for damages or missing property prior to check-out. Campers are responsible for the cost of replacements or repairs resulting from damages inflicted during occupancy.

8. Responsibility of Personal Property

GSSM does not assume any legal or financial obligation for any camper's personal property that may be lost or damaged in its buildings or grounds. This includes, but is not limited to, personal electronics brought to camp.

9. Fire, Tornado, and Intruder Safety

Fire Alarm

Evacuation of GSSM buildings is mandatory when a fire alarm sounds. Sounding false fire alarms or tampering with firefighting or safety equipment is strictly prohibited.

During a fire drill or alarm, males are to go to the parking lot in front of the school and females to the grassy area in front of the academic center. Everyone is to wait silently while roll is taken and directions are given by a GSSM staff member. If the alarm occurs after you have dressed for bed, make sure that you put on shoes and appropriate clothing before going downstairs and outside.

“Go to a Safe Place” -Tornado Shelter or Evacuation

To protect students and staff, we will have everyone “Go to a Safe Place” in case of dangerous weather (tornado or hurricane) or as the first step to evacuation of facility. Campers will report to the interior stairwells in the Center Lobby at GSSM’s campus which offers a central gathering place that is convenient, structurally strong and away from any areas with glass windows. Roll will be taken by the Residence Life Staff or Faculty. You should remain calm and in the stairwells until you are given further instructions from a GSSM official.

Armed Intruder or Active Shooter

In the unlikely event that there is an armed intruder at GSSM, we must be prepared to deal with this unfortunate situation. Active shooter situations are dynamic and evolve quickly. If an Armed Intruder alert is announced in the building and campers are in an open area (hallway, lobbies, gym, dining hall, bathroom) they should exit the building. Any students who can get outside or is already outside should go to the Coker University gym (north side of the GSSM campus). GSSM staff will meet you there. If campers are in a classroom, dorm, or other lockable area, they should immediately close, lock, and barricade the doors to the rooms that they are in. **DO NOT** open the door, officials will have a key and will unlock the door when it is safe to do so. If you are not in a room that locks or cannot get into a room that locks, then immediately run to the Coker University gym and wait for GSSM staff to retrieve you.

10. Security

GSSM has 24-hour security personnel on campus. Video cameras are placed in numerous locations both inside and outside the building. Entrances to residence halls are monitored and regulated. Campers must enter and exit residence halls only by the appropriate entrances in the main lobby.

11. Key Cards

Campers are responsible for their room key card at all times. There is a \$20 fee if the camper loses or damages either his or her key card. Campers must keep their nametag inside their lanyard holder and around their neck at all times. Please do not decorate nametags or holders.

12. Drugs, Alcohol, and Tobacco

Anyone found with alcohol, illegal drugs, or tobacco products in his or her possession will be dismissed from camp immediately.

13. Firearms, Explosives, and Weapons

The possession or use of firearms, knives, paint ball guns, slingshots, explosives, fireworks, candles, incense, or similar items is strictly prohibited and will result in immediate dismissal from camp.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to discuss them with the camp director.

GSSM's Housing Accommodations

GSSM's housing accommodations are suites, which are located on the second, third and fourth floors of our building. Each room is suited with another room to share a bathroom. The residential floors are accessible by elevator, and there are handicapped accessible rooms for those with limited mobility.



Typical residential room



Shower/tub

Each room has two desks, two chests of drawers, two beds, two bookshelves and a sink. The bathroom has a toilet and shower/tub combo. The beds are extra-long twins (36"x 80"). You will need to **bring all of your linens** (sheets, blanket, comforter, pillow and towels) **toiletries**, **hair dryers** (if desired) and a **small trashcan**. Campers are not permitted to move the furniture.

There is no cable service in the residential rooms, but there is a TV lounge on every floor.

Typical Hall Lounge



Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) for GSSM Computer Networks and Connected Resources

GSSM's network supports the educational, research, and administrative objectives of the school. It is provided as a convenience for students, families, registered visitors, and authorized program participants, and may not work, or work well with every device. For the complete GSSM AUP, please visit: <https://www.scgssm.org/aup>. A summary AUP for summer programs is as follows.

Network users are required to comply fully with GSSM rules and policies as well as state and federal laws at all times. GSSM monitors activity on its network and may share information with law enforcement or other authorities if it discovers potentially illegal activity.

Access to the GSSM network is a privilege, not a right. Any use of the network that violates GSSM rules or policies, harasses or threatens the safety and security of any individual, or that hinders the appropriate use of the network is cause for disciplinary action including, but not limited to, revocation of network use privileges, even if the loss of such privileges prevents successful completion of course objectives.

Acceptable use is always ethical, reflects honesty, shows restraint in the consumption of shared resources, and respects the need for the safety and security of campers and staff. It demonstrates respect for intellectual property, ownership of information, system security mechanisms, and the individual's rights to privacy and freedom from intimidation, and harassment.

GSSM complies with state and federal laws requiring filtering of Internet content available to campers. GSSM prohibits campers from attempting to access Internet content that is prohibited by law, and monitors the Internet access of all network users to aid in compliance.

Access to prohibited content through personally-owned devices that use cellular networks is not allowed while on campus. Viewing such material, or exposing others to it, violates GSSM standards of conduct. Providing Wi-Fi access to other campers through the use of hotspots, smart-phone routing, or personally owned Wi-Fi access points is prohibited. GSSM encourages parents to implement parental controls where available on all smartphones, tablets, and other cellular-equipped devices.

Use of GSSM's network and Internet connection on personally-owned devices is provided as a convenience to program participants and their families while on campus. People who elect to use this service must agree to the school's Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) and use the service at their own risk. As a convenience, the school does not guarantee the service to be accessible by all devices that are brought to campus, and use of the services is not included in any camp fees. Therefore, program participants are not entitled to refunds or discounts due to inability to use networked services on their personal devices.

Using the Guest Network

The guest network is provided as a convenience for visitors and guests to provide basic email and Web browsing while on campus. Its capabilities are limited and availability ends early in the evening. Support is not provided to program participants who choose to connect to the guest

network. All policies regarding online behavior and appropriate use apply to use of the guest network.

Rules for using the GSSM network

Accepted rules of conduct include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. **Be polite.** Always use appropriate language; profanity, vulgarities, or other inappropriate language is strictly prohibited.
2. **Be secure.** Do not share personal information with others on public Internet sites. Do not share your password.
3. **Be safe.** Do not post pictures (video or still) or audio clips of other campers without permission from the camper AND his or her parent or guardian.
4. **Respect intellectual property.** Copyrighted materials including software and music files may not be used, shared or downloaded without permission of the owner.
5. **Be conservative with system resources.** Streaming video, downloading large files, Internet file sharing, etc. are fine at home, but at school the Internet connection is shared with all other campers, teachers, and administrators and these activities can slow things down for everyone.
6. **Never alter data or software belonging to someone else without permission.** Attempting to gain access to restricted network areas or data is prohibited.
7. **Campers may access their own personal Internet mail accounts** from the GSSM network, but campers are not allowed to load software on the GSSM-owned computers. Messages related to, or in support of, illegal or inappropriate activities are inappropriate and may be reported to authorities. All campers' Internet access may be subject to review for inappropriate content.
8. **Never access inappropriate or restricted information**, such as pornography or other obscene materials. Restricted information includes obscene, libelous, indecent, racist, vulgar, profane, or lewd materials; advertisements for services not permitted to minors by law; insulting, fighting, and harassing words, and other materials may cause a disruption of the academic environment. Although access to the Internet from GSSM computers is filtered for inappropriate content, the camper bears the final responsibility for avoiding inappropriate materials.
9. **Impersonation, or deliberately assuming the identity of another person** on the computer, is a violation of that person's trust and is prohibited.
10. **Those who use GSSM networks benefit from its proper operation** and, therefore, are obligated to report malfunctions, inappropriate material, vandalism, or violations of this AUP or applicable law to a school official.

Penalties for Improper Use

Campers who violate the terms of use or who otherwise misuse their access to the GSSM network will be subject to disciplinary action. Internet access privileges may be canceled and campers may be dismissed from camp. Violations of the laws of the United States or the State of South Carolina may be reported to the appropriate law enforcement authority.

Warranty

GSSM makes no warranties of any kind, whether expressed or implied, for the service it is providing. GSSM will not be responsible for any damages suffered by any user. This includes, but is not limited to, loss of any kind resulting from delays, non-deliveries, misdirected deliveries, or service interruptions caused by the system's malfunction, negligence, user errors, or omissions. Use of any information obtained via the Internet is at the user's own risk. GSSM

specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through its services. It does not guarantee compatibility with any device, software, or service.

User Privacy

GSSM reserves the rights to examine, record, save, restrict, or remove any material that is on, or passes through, its network, just as it does any other work or material generated on or brought onto GSSM property by staff or campers. Access to electronic information related to any camper or staff member will be governed by the same policies that would apply to that information if it were not in electronic form.

Cell Phones

If campers bring a cell phone to camp, it is their responsibility to keep it safe, quiet, and out of sight. Teachers and staff may confiscate phones that they see outside of the residence halls and are being misused. Confiscated phones may be retrieved from the Campus Life office after evening room check.

Please be aware that you are required to sign electronically within the online camp system to indicate that you have read and understand the information to attend the summer camp. Signing this form acknowledges that you have read and completely understand the above acceptable use policy for the GSSM computer network system. You understand that it is impossible for GSSM to restrict access to all controversial materials, and you will not hold GSSM, its teachers, administration, or associates responsible for materials your child accesses while on the network. You further understand that if your child violates these conditions and rules, his or her access privilege may be revoked and disciplinary action may be taken. GSSM has your permission to grant access to computers, networks, and Internet sites as it sees fit to support the aims of its educational and developmental programs.

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Campus Life Staff: Are GSSM staff members who are responsible for the day-to-day operations of residence life. Campus Life oversee all residence life activities throughout the week of camp and are responsible for all campers after completion of the academic day.

Student Assistants: SAs are GSSM alumni who have been chosen to serve as counselors for camp. They assist with classes, supervise evening activities, and live on the residential floors with campers.

Contact Information

Emergency Contact Numbers:

Main GSSM Number: 843-383-3900
GSSM Center for Outreach: 843-383-3958
GSSM Security: 843-992-0377
Campus Life Duty Phone: 843-858-1603
GoSciTech Director: 843-383-3901 x3950

To send mail to campers:

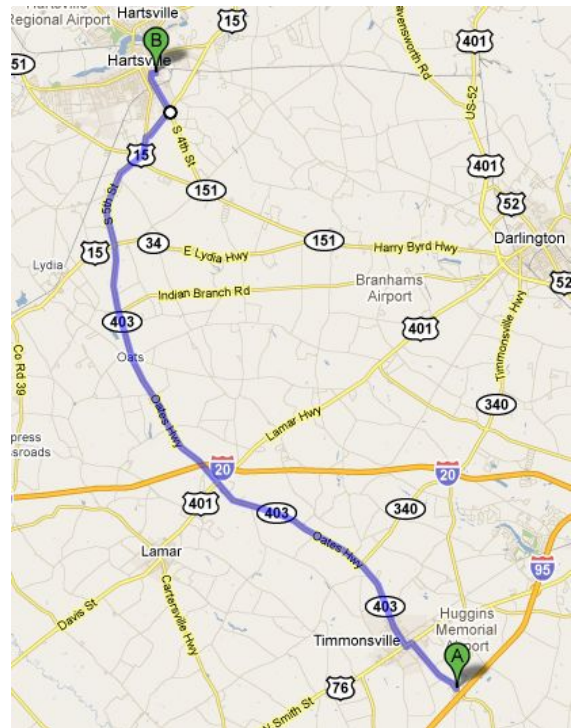
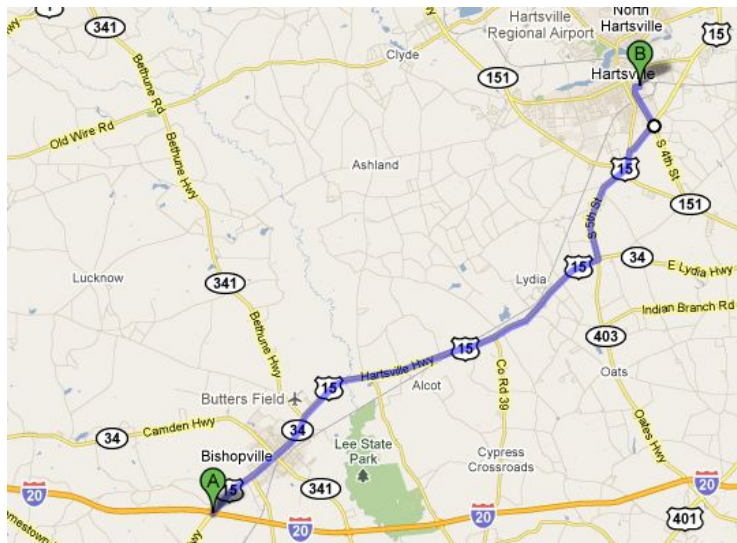
GSSM – camp name
Student name
401 Railroad Ave.
Hartsville, SC 29550

Directions to GSSM

From Charleston: Take I-26 to I-95 N toward Florence. Merge onto Honda Way (S-83) via exit number 153. Turn left onto Honda Way toward Timmonsville. The Honda plant is on the left. At the end of Honda Way (approximately 2 miles), turn left onto Hwy 76. At the first light, which is the intersection of Hwy 403 N and Hwy 76, turn right onto Hwy 403 N. Continue on 403 N (approximately 16 miles) toward Hartsville. Merge onto Hwy 15 N from 403 N. Travel through the intersection of Hwy 151 and Hwy 15. At the first traffic light, turn right onto Hwy 15 N. After traveling approximately half of a mile, exit onto 151 Business. Turn left at the stop sign onto 4th Street (151 Business). Continue on 4th Street, cross the railroad tracks, and in two blocks, turn right on Coker Street. This is a Y-intersection at a church. Turn right into the front entrance of GSSM. (Approximately 2-1/2 hours).

From Greenville/Spartanburg: Take I-26 E to Columbia. In Columbia, merge right onto I-20 E to Florence. Follow the directions from Columbia. (Approximately 2-1/2 to 3 hours).

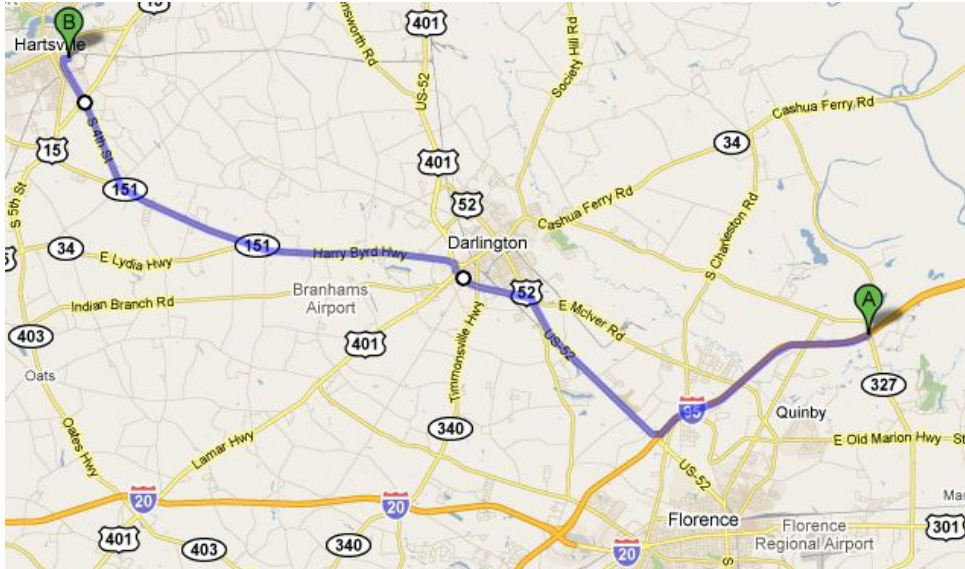
From Columbia: Take I-20 East to Florence. Merge onto Hwy 15 N via exit number 116 toward Bishopville/Hartsville. Continue on Hwy 15 N through the community of Lydia. At the intersection of Hwy



15 N and Hwy 34, turn left to continue on Hwy 15 N toward Hartsville. Travel through the intersection of Hwy 151 and Hwy 15. At the second traffic light, turn right onto Hwy 15 N. After traveling approximately 0.5 of a mile, exit onto 151 Business. Turn left at the stop sign onto 4th Street (151 Business). Continue on 4th Street, cross the railroad tracks, and in two blocks, turn right on Coker Street. This is a Y-intersection at a church. Turn right into the front entrance of GSSM. (Approximately 1-1/2 hours).

From Myrtle Beach: Take Hwy 501 to Hwy 576, which will merge with Hwy 76 to Florence. Approximately 3 miles after passing Francis Marion University, turn right onto Hwy 327 and follow to I-95. Follow the directions from I-95 South. (Approximately 2 -1/2 hours).

From I-95 South: Merge onto Hwy 52 N toward Darlington via exit number 164. In Darlington, turn left to stay on Hwy 52. Take Hwy 34 W/ Hwy 151 toward Darlington Raceway/Hartsville. After about 9 miles, merge right onto 151 Business/S 4th Street. Hwy 151 Business becomes 4th Street. Continue on 4th Street, cross the railroad tracks, and in two blocks, turn right on Coker Street. This is a Y-intersection at a church. Turn right into the front entrance of GSSM. (Approximately 40 minutes from I-95).



City of Hartsville Map:

